

REMARKS:

The applicant elects the Group I for examination.

The applicant does not agree with the Examiner's comment "Group I lacks general technical feature because the conjugate of hydrophilic polymer and molecule from the extract of boxwood is known in the art (see Brown et al. ("Buxus Alkaloids. III. Structure of Cyclobuxine, in J. Am. Chem. Soc., Vol. 86, No. 20, pp. 4414-4424, 1964).)" The applicant holds that the reference cited by the Examiner does not mention any chemical compounds comprising of molecules from extract of boxwood and hydrophilic polymer, especially polyethylene glycol, and therefore, the cited reference cannot takes away the novelty of the instant amended claims.

The applicant requires that upon the indication of allowability of the linking claims 10 and 11, the restriction requirement as to the lined inventions shall be withdrawn and any claim(s) depending from or otherwise requiring all the limitations of allowable linking claim(s) will be rejoined and fully examined for patentability in accordance with 37 CFR 1.104.

For all of the above reasons, applicant submits that the specification and claims are now in proper form, and that the claims all define patentably over the prior art. Therefore, applicant respectfully requests that a timely Office Action be issued in this case.

Respectfully submitted,



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